Born a Viking unabridged

by BraveDragonof214

Category: How to Train Your Dragon
Genre: Adventure
Language: English
Status: In-Progress
Published: 2015-03-08 14:57:55
Updated: 2015-09-04 05:40:15
Packaged: 2016-04-27 07:46:44
Rating: K+
Chapters: 5
Words: 5,478
Publisher: www.fanfiction.net
Summary: the young haddock made a mistake. Making the story of a haddock being taking by a Dragon come to play. A better, longer, hopefully more informative born a viking.

1. Chapter 1

The night was dark. The fire was bright and the noses were loud on the island of berk. Eleven year old Hiccup with his green hand-me-down shirt that barely stayed on his shoulders, Sat in the armory watching gobber toss more weapons out to Viking after Viking so they can fight the dragons. He thought dragons were fascinating creatures and wondered what it was like being really close to one. He had this dream of being the first to shoot down a nightfury and have the cute girl, that was his age, Astrid hofferson his girlfriend.

"Gobber we need you out here." Came the voice of spitlout Hiccups uncle.

"Ok." Gobber replaced his rock prosthetic arm with an axe. Hiccup watched him. "You stay put." He said to him. After eyeing the child he went out with a battle cry. Hiccup jumped up straight away and ran after him. Many people he past demeaned he go back inside and so on.

"What are you doing out here, get inside!"

"A Dragon can kill ya kid get inside!" No matter what the comment he rushed after gobber.

"Hiccup!" He heard his mom's voice but he was already up the hill Gobber was at fighting a zippleback. He managed to net the one head and was about to attack the other.

"What are you doing Hiccup!" Gobber had noticed him run up. "Get back to the forge or your father will have your head!" He demanded. Hiccup

agreed his father would be angry but he wanted to watch. But when he turned around the most amazing thing happened. A Dragon was standing right behind him. He could smell it's breath which oddly enough, smelled of fish. it sniffed at his baggy shirt.

"Stop it your tickling me!" He laughed as it's peach head turned to study him.

"Hiccup!" Valka yelled out to her son almost frozen in fear at the sight of that huge peach colored Dragon getting closer and closer to her son. That startled it and it's clawed arm went up, slashing a cut in below hiccups lip to the right just at the jawline.

"Owe!" He said touching it a finding blood on his finger. The Dragon turned again to Hiccup and it seemed concerned. It leaped up and took the small figure of Hiccup in its big claws. The claws closed and made a mid air cage. The child screamed inside it as the Dragon flew higher.

"Hiccup!" Valka yelled. Gobber went to shoot it but the zippleback he was fighting got free and he had to stop it.

"Mom!" Hiccup yelped.

"Son!" Someone walked up behind Valka. Astrid had seen the whole thing and watched the creature take the kid away and made a note that that scratched was gonna leave a scar.

* * *

><p>Hiccup cried and cried. Clutching the claw cause that's all he could do. The tears came and wouldn't go away. What did the Dragon want with such a tiny and young kid like him? Not like the village would even try to look for him. Would the dragons go this far? The questions bumped into each other in his head and be didn't know how to function. The he looked up and saw the dragons head bent down to look at him. It's glowing yellow eyes seemed to comfort Hiccup. Out of no where the Dragon dropped him onto ground. It was grassy and when he got up and looked around he could tell, even at the age of eleven, this wasn't a place humans lived. He heard a giant splash behind him. The Dragon who kidnapped him pushed him backwards and he felt something wet and scaly against his back. He jumped forward and turned around. The biggest Dragon he ever saw was looking straight at him. It's eyes warm and blue and looked like you could get lost in them if you looked to long. The Dragon looked at the peach Dragon and they seemed to have a conversation. The smaller Dragon ran into the forest a minute later and Hiccup was left with- he didn't know what to call it. Hiccup was left in front of the beast. If he wasn't scared and older he would have made a plan for escape. Be an actual Viking for once in his life. But he was scared. And he was not older. All he could do at the moment is fall to his knees and more tears started running. He heard a growl. He gasped and looked around. He saw a pair of green eyes looking at him through a bush. He gulped. It jumped at him. And licked him. Hiccup was so surprised he didn't laugh at first. The it came out. Probably the loudest most snort filled laugh imaginable. The black Dragon stopped and looked at him curiously as if to say; "what on earth was that?" Hiccup laughed more. He was happy. He hadn't been happy in forever. The Dragon saw that and went to lick some more.<p>

"Stop it!" Hiccup yelled. The Dragon shot up in surprise. Hiccup got up and looked at it. "Are you, a night fury?" He asked. It bounced. "A real night fury?" Hiccup continued. It bounced again. "Wait, you have no teeth. Is that way you just fire and note attack?" All the sudden teeth grew. "Woe."

* * *

><p>"I think I like it here toothless. I don't ever want to see another Viking as long as I live." Toothless cooed. Hiccup translated this into why. "Because Vikings are mean and selfish. Dragons are nice and cute and can fly! What else can an eleven year old ask for?"<p>

2. Chapter 2

time** jump the first: one year later**

a lot happened to Hiccup having lived a year with dragons. For one he buried his boots in the cave he called home, partly because they got small partly because he wanted to be free. He stopped his shirt from falling off by wrapping vines around his waist. He pants were no different. Still Brown still long. He started running around the island and exploring every crack and hole. Soon enough something good came out of this. He found a small opening were baby dragons and himself can fit through leading to a beautiful walled off garden full of bees and hummingbirds and flowers plus an amazing waterfall. He had hid there many times with toothless to get away from bath time (cloud jumpers tong was quite ruff.). Hiccup ran through the forest. Stretching his arm out to brush the leaves. He stopped when he heard a trig snap. He hid behind a tree.

"Gotcha!" He exclaimed jumping out.

"Ah!" _Sirally_ exclaimed. Hiccup giggled. The women was probably the best hide and seek player ever. It was unfair partly because she ccould make herself invisible. "Got me indeed." She smiled.

"Now we need to find toothless." He said. His voice was still light but Sirally could tell it was gonna change soon.

"Yep. Let's go to your secret place." She said.

"Yeah!" Hiccup smiled. As they walked he thought about when they first met. He was flying toothless with cloud jumper and tried to do a trick when they crashed. The island had one person on it. Sirally. She had said he was the cutest ever and said she was getting lonely without people. They made it to the opening. "Wait here." He said. She smiled. He squeezed through and ran to the hidden cave in the hidden cave. "Toothless?" He asked. The Dragon jumped at him as if to say; 'you found me!' "Let's go get Sirally. I'm starved." Hiccup and toothless went back to the entrance. Sirally was on the ground. "Sirally?" He asked getting to her.

"Hiccup." She coughed.

"Whats wrong?" Hiccup asked.

"My time has come." She said.

"Don't say that." Hiccup begged.

"I told you when we met. My time was almost up and I need someone to give my power to. It is my time and you are that person." She started a chant.

use this power to learn more. Learn this power to use wisely.

a glow starters it went in Hiccup. Then she stopped breathing.

"No. Sirally no!" He sobbed. Cloud jumper Came up and sniffed her. Hiccup hugged the Dragon.

_it's ok._

hiccup jumped. "What?" He said. "Who said that?"

I did, cloud jumper.

"how?" He asked.

she gave you her power of hearing thoughts by touch.

"wow. That's awesome!" Hiccup got up and slowly touched toothless. With this distraction cloud jumper picked up Sirally's body and flew away. "Toothless think something."

I love fish!

Hiccup laughed at that. "I know you do." The two laughed and the kids noticed the body was gone. Hiccup sighed. "Goodbye Sirally."

* * *

><p>time jump the second: fourteen

hiccup I have a job for you. There is a 'queen' Dragon who is trying to take control over all dragons. I need you, toothless and cloud jumper to go and get rid of her.

hiccup gulped. "Do you mean kill her?"

if that is your final decision. Yes.

hiccup breathed in and out. He let go of the bewilder beast and stood straight. He had grown a few inches and still has to have the vine belt around his waist but he was still growing. He went to his cave and picked up a bowl of paint. He put two lines on each side of his face in red. Nodding in approval at his reflection in the plan water. He was only fourteen. But he knew by now he needed to be ready for a new Dragon meeting. He walked over to toothless. A teenage him and a lot bigger then before. He patted his head.

"Let's go bud." Cloud jumper came over looking him up and down. No armor and a trio for an army. "We can do this." Hiccup said.

* * *

><p>"Come on toothless just a little longer!" Hiccup looked back at

the red death. It was breathing in to shot. "Now!" Toothless turned to face the Dragon. It's mouth was open. Toothless shot a fireball and it bullseyed. Right in the mouth. It literally started burning from the inside out. Toothless tried to get out of the way as they flew up as it hit the ground exploding. The tail started flipping. They both screamed. The tail hit them and Hiccup was thrown off. Toothless roared and tried to Get to him. He barely caught hiccup. With a price. He bit deep into his friends left leg. They hit the ground and toothless tail got caught in something and he felt pain strike. Cloud jumper flew fast to them.<p>

3. Chapter 3

Time jump the third: Fifteen and a half

Astrid jumped over the make shift leg height wall with a battle cry, her Axe swung out behind her ready to strike the Deadly Nadder. She threw it but the weapon spun so many times the butt of the handle hit the dragon instead, It's blue spiky head turned towards her. it started charging at her. She jumped out of the way at the last moment and it ran straight back into the cage, it's head hitting the back of it. Gobber closed the doors.

"Good job Astrd." He said only to her. the other dumb teens didn't seem to do anything. Astrid snuck a glance at the elder before picking her axe up and started heading out th arena. she walked through the small town of berk brushing dirt off her face. she ran into gostuve. Gobber's apprentice.

"hey, Gostuve, would you mind sharpaning my Axe for me?" She asked holding out the weapon.

"Sure thing Astrid." He took it and it practically dragged on the ground walking to the forge. she followed and watched as he got up on the step stool. She shook her head and walked away. she had to get to the great hall to ge the food for Valka. She was still out of world even though it's been five years since he was taken and presumed dead. Stioc had put Astrid in charge of giving her food and keeping her from starving to death. while walking up the steps she saw the other teens talking at the top,

"hey Astrid." Snotlout the heir, said to her in a flirty voice. she moaned. "Whats it your doing?"

"I'm getting Valka and myself some lunch." She replied opening the door.

"Forget about her, lets eat lunch. just you and me." He went on.

"Yeah right, and have Stoic yell at me for not feeding his wife? I don't think so. she slammed the door behind her. She grabbed a plat and doubled up. two cooked fish, two loafs of bread and two cups of water. she headed back for the door when someone knocked into her and she dropped a cup. the water made the floor damp. she walked over the mark and didn't bother getting another cup. her thoughts were scrambled that day of all the sudden and she ended up thinking about Hiccup and how he was so young when the dragon snatched his life away from him. before she knew it she was at the front door of the cheifs

house. she opened it with her foot and walked in. she put the food on the table and started for The bedroom. were she would have a battle practically dragging her out of bed and at the table. She froze when she saw Valka seating up. and reading. "Maim?" She asked running over.

"oh come now Astrid, call me Valka."

"But, your up! And reading. that means your better?"

"In a way." She said.

"What do you mean 'in a way?'" Astrid asked.

"I need help." Astrid sighed.

"Stoic is looking for the nest." She automatically answered.

"Stoic is not who I want to look for." Valka replied.

"What?" Astrid was surprised. She assumed that Valka wanted her to bring hre to Stoic.

"I want to find Hiccup." She said.

"WHAT?" Astrid said loudly.

"Shhh." Valka put a fingur on her lips. "He is alive. I feel it!"

"Valka thats not possible. we were both there we saw the Dragon grab him."

"But we didn't see blood." Valka pointed out. Astrid had to think a little.

"No, we didn't."

"And we could find him by looking for a boy with a scar on the right side right at his jaw bone." She continued.

"But he could have been eaten by them and the dragon desided not to waste blood." Astrid suggested.

"I don't think dragons would do that. they could be our friends if we were better people." Valka insisted. Astrid snorted. "Please, I need a boat and supplies." Astrid sat down on the bed in thought.
"Please?" Valka said. Astrid looked over and wished she hadn't. Valka looked pitaful.

"Fine." She gave in,

"Thank you dear." Astrid got up and snatched bag.

"I'll be back. don't go anywere." Astrid ran out and ran to the great hall to get food. she snuck in and stuffed five loas of bread in the bag. then took an apple and three huge handfuls of berries. She got out without a hitch. then she ran into the others.

"What is that?" Snotlout asked.

"Something for Valka." She said. it was truth. before they could question her more she left. she was afraid if more people knew they would think Valka was insane. well, she thought Valka was insane but she was trying not to show it because of the 'fact' valka was giving her. she went to the dock and found a small fishing boat that would work. once back at the house when she opened the door she found valka standing and waiting. in her everyday cloths with a staff.

"Did you get everything?" She asked.

"Yes, food and a boat."

"Astrid."

"Yes?"

"Come with me."

"What?" Astrid was dumbstruke. Valka sighed,

"You and I were the only ones to see the dragon not really kill hiccup. You could help me look."

"What about Dragon training?" Astrid commeneted.

"Forget about that, I wish there was no such thing. A girl like you shouldn't be training." Astrid snorted again. "Well? Will you come?" Astrid looked up,

"Alright, you got a deal." They shook hands.

"Great, I left a note for Gobber." They left through the back door as to not be spotted.

"Oh wait." Astrid said. They were going by the forge. she walked around. "Gostuve is my axe done?" When she returned she had her axe. "Just in case." She rubbed the sweat off her forehead from the heat of the forge beind her. "Now lets go.

4. Chapter 4

I am SO sorry for the long wait. I hope your not mad. :(

Enjoy!

* * *

><p>Astrid looked out to the sea with a sigh. It had only been about two hours or so after they left and she was already getting bored. the boat was a tight fit for both cause she got one that would only carry one person because she didn't know Valka had wanted her to come. he legs were starting to cramp a little and her back was also.<p>

"Try to do something to distract you." Valka said as if reading her thoughts.

"Do you know when we will find another island?"

"I don't know but I hope we find another village. by the time we do we may have to restock on food." Valka replied.

"We haven't even touched it yet." Astrid commented.

"I know, but you never know what could happen." Valka added.

"Thats true." Astrid shivvered as a gust of cold wind blew. she looked aroud once more. all she saw was water everywhere the eye could see. She brushed her blond bangs out of her eye.

"I've always liked blond hair." Vallka said out of nowhere.

"What?" Astrid asked slightly confused.

"I always imagened that the goddesses had blond, almost golden, hair." She said looking up.

"oh." Astrid said looking up too. they were covered in silence again. Then Astrid remembered she had snuck notes from the book of dragon this morning and had not taken them out of her pocket. she looked at Valka in front of her. she had her back to her. she took the notes out and started reading them. she didn't want valka knowing she was reading up on dragon fighting training seeing how disgreeing she is about it.

Gronkle.

_the hunting ability of this particular dragon is very low in expectation. the best thing they can do is hover in the air.
_

Their speed. see above.

but they have rather interesting defenses. their skin is covered in spikes but they don't seem to be able to puncture. their fire is about 4/6

Monstrous nightmare

Though probably the biggest and most aggresive dragon to look out for, the nightmare is weakest after it lights itself on fire.

It's hunting as we see many a time, is rather efective and we loose most of our bigger yaks to them.

steer clear of them if you can.

Night Fury.

This Dragon is a mystery. It is as black as the sky so we cannot see it's face.

it shoots and never misses.

NEVER approch this dragon.

"Whats that?" Astrid looked up and saw Valka looking at

her.

"Nothing." She lied.

"Astrid." Valka gave her a stirn look.

"It's notes from the dragon book." She said getting ready for her to grab it and throw it in the ocean. She sighed. and turned back around. Astrid stared at her back for some time. amazed she didn't even complain. Astrid went back to reading.

* * *

><p>"Ready the ships!" Stoic yelled coming out of his house.<p>

"What is it stoic?" Gobber asked.

"This." Stoic handed the blacksmith a piece of paper. Gobber read it.

dear Gobber my friend,

**I have gone in search of my son. The kind teen Astrid is hopefully joining. please don't pause dragon training because of that, not like i like training anyway. We could all get along if we just tried. I hope to find my son and come back. finally making Stoic, myself and him a true family. **

farewell my friend.

Valka

Gobber gulped. he hadn't gone in their house all day, when Stoic got home the first thing he did was go in the house.

"Why does she think he is alive?" Gobber asked following Stoic to the docks.

"I don't know." Stoic replied.

"Sir!" The heir, his brothers son snotlout, came walking up. "I will go. What if they come back?" He said. Stoic nodded.

"Ok but by thor don't take the twins." The teen nodded and started taking orders. "Gobber go with them." He told his friend.

"Ok Stoic."

* * *

><p>"Catch me if you can!" Hiccup smiled as the black haired girl started running from him.<p>

"I will!" He said starting to run. his medal leg clicked because of how new it was. He didn't remember anything after the dragon queen. He woke in the forest and was next to cloud jumper with toothless. they had run into the forest when a girl came and found him. She had brought him to her parents who were the healers on her island. Selena laughed as she almost got caught. hiccup tripped and face planted the

mud.

"Dinner time!" her mom yelled from the door. Hiccup got up as Selena ran to the door. He smiled. These people were the nicest vikings he knew. but he still didn't want to be around humans anymore. He walked to the house and got cleaned up. they all sat down around the table to eat cooked fish. After one bite Hiccup made his decision.

"I am going to go home today." He said since the table seemed quiet.

"What?" Selena asked dropping her fork.

"My sister is sick and probably worried." He told her his lie.

"But-" She started again.

"It's ok Hiccup, We understand." Her dad said giving her a warning glance. she frowned and left the table. clearly not liking the idea of Hiccup leaving.

'Whats wrong?" Hiccup asked.

"She has grown very fond of you." her mom replied.

"It's only been three days." Hiccup replied.

"She can get attached alot sooner then three days." Her dad told him.

"I still need to go." Hiccup said pushing his plate.

"We understand." She said smiling.

* * *

><p>Hiccup stood in front of the boat with supplies they gave them.<p>

"Bye." He said stepping in. The two adults waved. Hiccup watched them leave and he noticed Selenas father comb his fingers through his wifes black hair. When they dissapeared he ran for the forest. he prayed to thor Selena wouldn't be in there. his prays were not heard.

"Hiccup." Selena came from behind a tree. Tears almost glowing on her face.

"Hey there Selena." He said nurvesly.

"Shouldn't you be heading home?" She asked rubbing her eye,

"Ye-yeah." He stuttered.

"Can't you stay?" She said rather abruptly.

"What?" He asked taken back by her comment.

"I haven't had this much fun for ages!" She said hugging his. He gasped and froze. no one has hugged him in years.

"I can't." He said pushing her off.

"Then why are you walking through the woods?" She asked anger starting to boil.

'I was just uh-" He tried to think of something.

"Your trying to find that dragon aren't you?" She said.

"Wha-what?" He asked.

"I saw two dragons next to you when I found you. But they scattered when I stepped on a stick."

"No there weren't any dragons." He defended.

"YOU were not aware. you were almost dry of blood!" She said.

"Thanks for saving me by the way." He said a bit afraid of her.

"What does it matter?" She asked Crosing her arms. They hear something. "Shh." She said. she started walking foward into a clearing. there was Toothless. He saw them and ran over. Selena screamed and jumped away. Toothless bounced onto Hiccup and started licking him. The thoughts of the releaved night fury came into his head.

Buddy! I'm so happy your alive!

"I'm happy too." Hiccup smiled. "Now get off." He said pushing his dragon off.

"I knew it!" Selena screamed. Hiccup cringed. Cloud jumper came out of hiding too. "Yes!" Selena seemed happy. "Can I ride him?" She asked.

"Huh?" Hiccup said.

"Ride him dumby." She said. Hiccup patted Cloudjumper.

She can't we need to get back to the island, the king needs you.

Hiccup nodded

"Sorry." He jumped on Cloud jumper.

"But-" She started.

"It was nice meeting you." Hiccup said. Cloud jumper took off and grabbed toothless. they were out of here. And Hiccup knew he didn't want to meet another viking again.

* * *

><p>I really thought i made Selena to Girly and not a viking in the last one. So, hope you enjoyed it! ;)

5. Chapter 5

Reviews:

Midnightsky: I guess. haha.

Soooooo. This was literally sitting in my docs just waiting to be published for who knows how long. Sorry! I didn't notice I just needed to ad like, two more sentences to perfect it until now. XD If this doens't seem long enough I apologize, and will try to make longer chapters.

* * *

><p>An hour or so after Hiccup and the two dragons left the village they landed on dragon island. Hiccup went straight to working on Toothless' tail since he learned a little about blacksmithing when he was there. He found and extra shirt and used that as the fin. Then figured out how to make a rod.<p>

"There we go." He said, smiling at his work. "Why don't we test it out bud." Hiccup jumped on Toothless and snapped his prostathic in place on the footpad he made. "Fin moves-" Hiccup looked behind himself at the dragons tail fin. It was flapping. "Check." He straighted. "Alright, let's go!" Toothless ran to the cliff edge and jumped. At first they plummeted. Then Hiccup moved the fin and they were soaring through the sky. "Yeeha!" Hiccup yelled in delight. "It works!" He made a goofy smile as Toothless spun in the air.

_I might have gone crazy if I didn't fly sooner! _

Hiccup heard toothless exclaim in his head.

"Hardy har har. Aren't you crazy already?" Hiccup patted the dragon and joked, with a smile still plastered on his face. In reply Hiccup was smacked in the face by Toothles ear. The teens heart stopped as he heard a click and he felt himself separate from Toothless. "Oh no!" They started falling. Hiccup tried to grab the saddle. His fingers slipped and he turned in the air. "Toothless don't panic!" That only greeted him with another smack as Toothless' tail made contact with him as he panicked. Finally Hiccup got a hold of the saddle and pulled himself on. They were nearing the water fast. He got his feet in the right place and they jerked up.

That was close. Why didn't you pay attention stupid?

Toothless thought. Hiccup groaned in annoyance.

"I'll just have to make something to help me stay on." Hiccup answered. They flew back to the cave and Hiccup jumped off. He was greeted by three baby dragons. he giggled and hugged them.

I missed you Hiccup!

Where have you been!

I want some fish!

Hiccup laughed at that and walked over to a barrel. From there he took out three fish.

"Here ya go." He threw one in the air. The blue baby dragon jumped and got it. He threw the next, the red and yellow one flipped midair before catching it in his mouth. he threw the last one and the silver and blue baby jumped for it. The fish disappeared when he was about to grab it and Hiccup saw toothless chewing on it a few feet away. "Toothless!" Hiccup scolded. He picked another fish from the barrel and handed it to the smaller dragon who snatched it after hissing at Toothless. "You're so dead Toothless." He smiled. Nothing could have been more perfect. He was back home.

* * *

><p>No food. No water. And no land in sight. They had been sailing for three days, and slowly. Their food, even with it rationed, disappeared. Because even though they were Vikings, their tribe had one heck of an eating schedule. Including a second breakfast and a snack before supper. They weren't aware they followed that schedule without fault until they only had only an apple left. Astrids stomach growled loudly and painfully as the sun began to set.<p>

"Eat the apple, Astrid." Valka insisted.

"We save it." Astrid spoke back. As much as she was tempted to down the apple, they should save it for when their desperate. Really, desperate.

"I want you to." Valka continued to push.

"I ate the last loaf of bread and that was nearly five hours ago. YOU should be the one to eat that." Astrid ordered. Valka sighed. She wasn't going to give in.

"Whe split it then." Before Astrid could protest she took out a dagur, and with practiced ease, sliced the apple. They both gagged and recoiled. The inside of the apple was brown and look mushy.

"Screw that." Astrid grabbed once piece and threw it in the sea. Valka doing the same with the other.

* * *

><p>To be, perfectly honest. Snotlout didn't know what he got himself into. He had no help commanding the ship and they didn't even know where they were. After three days of traveling he was close to loosing his mind.<p>

"Three days. Three stinking days, and we haven't seen anything but water!" He complained from the front of the ship.

"Oi, at least you have food. I don't think they have food by now." Gobber glared at the young boy. Ok, so he had a little help. But Snotlout wanted to tell every order. Even the order to clean the deck.

"I know, but this feels weird. Why did they go. Astrid made a terrible decision trusting that old women. And I thought she was the one." Snotlout looked out at the sea he has been looking at for the past two hours.

"Look!" Someone yelled. Snotlout snapped his head towards the person. They pointed ahead. And he saw it. A lone boat drifting in the waves.

* * *

><p>"We should turn back." Astrid came out with an hour after they threw the apple.<p>

"What! No!" Valka snapped back. "I am not abandoning this mission. My son is alive I feel it!" Astrid snorted.

"I don't know why I trusted you. We are out in a wild goose chase. For all I know, you did this just to stop me from training for a while!"

"I love my son! I will not stop until I find him!"

"But what if he his dead!" Astrid yelled. "What if the dragons did eat him that day, Valka. Then what do we do." Valka was speechless for a moment. Then she slapped Astrid hard.

"He is my only son! I know you never cared about him, but I loved him with all my heart. No. I LOVE him with all my heart."

"Then why didn't you stop the bulling? He was ignored. He was treated like an outcast ever since he could walk." Astrid retorted loudly. Her cheek burning.

"I know!" Valka's reaction stopped Astrid from replying. "I've known. I saw you. Never spoke to him, never defended him. Acted like he just didn't exist. I knew, but Stoic wouldn't let me keep him away from the other kids. I tried and tried to convince him. But he wouldn't listen. Astrid, this is my last hope." She paused, taking a long breath. "I want to believe he is gone. I should just get over it and stop denying the fact. But I can't." Astrid looked at her. Seeing the depression and sadness. And finally felt guilt.

"Listen." Astrid said calmly. "We're both really, really tired. And we are getting stir crazy. Let's just calm down and sleep." Valka nodded, shaken up by all the action. Before Astrid could even tell herself to rest, her eyes were shut. Exhausted and starving Valka soon left the real world too. Not so long after they past out the ship reached them. Yelling was heard on deck and soon the smaller boat was attached to ropes, and pulled up onto the bigger ship.

End
file.